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- 2. I am a co-inventor of the subject matter disclosed in the '240 Application and I am familiar with the specification and claims of this application.
- 3. The Carbon Medical Technologies Memo dated October 23, 2001 addressed to "All Sales Personnel" ("the Memo"), was prepared by myself and other employees of Carbon Medical Technologies, Inc. after Raymond Rackley, Dean Klein and I jointly conceived and reduced to practice the invention reported and claimed in the '240. application.

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4. I also declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made or information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were n ade with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by line or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of any patent issued from U.S. Patent Application No. 10/084,240.

Respectfully Submitted,

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